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# WASHROOM RIGHTS

Activists want gender-neutral loos at CMHR to be clearer **metroNEWS** (and wrongs)

## Block party in SpaceLand

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**City to host pop-up fete on Portage Ave. lot**



Winnipeg is about to have a new kind of party.

"We're going to throw a big block party. A bunch of bands, video projections, films, food, a bar," said Michael Falk, owner of Head in the Sand.

In collaboration with Manitoba Music, the organizations are taking over a vacant lot on Portage Avenue between Kennedy Street and Edmonton Street on June 4.

They expect to fit more than 350 people into the party, which they've dubbed SpaceLand.

"Winnipeg has a bit of an addiction to surface parking lots. I think part of the impetus to this was to show that we can do something creative with the lots," said Sean

McManus, executive director of Manitoba Music.

Falk and McManus have experienced events like this in other cities, but they said there's never been anything like it in Winnipeg.

That's made it difficult to arrange the party; they waited eight months to lock down the venue.

"As soon as you start doing something that's unconventional or a little out of the norm, it gets difficult. That was part of what we wanted to do too, I think, was show there are other ways you can have concerts, other ways you can have culture in the city," said McManus.

He said Winnipeg has caught onto the idea of popup ventures and it's helping create a sense of community.

"The purpose is to throw a party and kind of celebrate our city a little bit in an unexpected way. Surprises in the urban experience are really a way for people to connect to a city and connect to the place around them," said Falk.

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# Local singer to perform for Simon Cowell on X-Factor

## MUSIC

**'Peg musician unfazed by critic's harsh reputation**



**Meg Crane**  
For Metro | Winnipeg

A Winnipeg musician says he gets to skip the line for the X-Factor UK and audition in front of the industry's most notorious critic.

"I auditioned for the past three years with video auditions," said pop musician David James, but this year was the first time he received an acceptance email.

Now, the musician is off to the U.K. on May 14 to perform in front of Simon Cowell. Despite Cowell's reputation for being brutally honest, James said he has no fears about being torn apart by the music critic.

"I am ac-

tually so excited. Every time I think about it, it puts a huge smile on my face. It's like a cook meeting Chef (Gordon) Ramsay. It's an idol in the music industry that we're getting to hear (criticism) from," said James.

James' music career started when he was nine, singing in his church and school choir.

"After that, music

**"The stage is definitely where I belong."**

David James

for me started becoming more of an escape.

I was placed into foster care, badly abused and neglected as a child. So music for me became an escape, rather than a hobby, a love for something," James said.

He got out of the foster system and music became something fun again. "The stage is definitely where I belong," said James. "Right before I get on stage — if you ever see me — I'm so shaky. I'm so nervous. But as soon as I'm up there, it's just like it's home."

If he makes it past Cowell's critical gaze, he'll be away for three months. Either way, he needs to



**Simon Cowell.** GETTY IMAGES

pay his own way there and find a place to stay.

James is performing at The Good Will on May 1 where he will be accepting

donations to get him overseas.

He'll even have thank-you packages — including hemp bracelets he made — for anyone who helps him reach his dream.

**David James bought a new guitar for X-Factor UK.**

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# 'Hidden' gender-neutral facilities frustrate activists

## EQUALITY

**Museum official says washrooms marked with toilet symbol**



**Meg Crane**  
For Metro | Winnipeg

A visiting transgender activist said he hopes the staff at the Canadian Museum for Human Rights considers changes after he couldn't find a gender-neutral bathroom.

Public speaker and activist Chase Blodgett, a trans man from Yukon, was in town for the Canadian Commission for the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (CCUNESCO) annual general meeting Monday and Tuesday, where he spoke to youth and delegates.

Portions of the AGM was held at the CMHR, where Blodgett said he was told about one gender-neutral bathroom, but couldn't find it.

Turns out there are seven, but none are clearly marked, he said, adding a trans person who asks for a gender-neutral washroom is essentially outing themselves.

"I don't feel that I should have to be in that position," said Blodgett.

Winnipeg Transgender Support Group member Zoë Bishop also didn't see any gender-neutral bathrooms when she was visiting.

"We shouldn't have to worry about where we go to the washroom," Bishop said.

She said 50 years ago washrooms were segregated by race, and now she'd like to see sex

**"There's just a lot of need for education right now around trans and non-gender conforming people."**

Chase Blodgett



Chase Blodgett said he's happy to see the CMHR take his suggestions seriously and acknowledged groups struggle with the issue of gender-neutral washrooms. MEG CRANE/METRO NEWS

segregation removed as well.

"It's a human rights museum, so I would expect them to be the forefront of where human rights is going in the future," said Bishop.

Blodgett has a different take.

"To have them struggle with it, too, demonstrates that there's just a lot of need for education right now around trans and non-gender con-

forming people," said Blodgett.

Museum media relations manager Maureen Fitzhenry said the gender-neutral washrooms are marked with a generic symbol.

"The symbol of the toilet was chosen after receiving input from concerned individuals and groups in the LGBTQ community."

"We felt that this symbol was the most inclusive be-

cause it speaks to the function of the room without defining the attributes of the person who should be using it," said Fitzhenry.

They don't have immediate plans to make changes, but Fitzhenry said staff are discussing Blodgett's suggestions.

"It's really heartening to be surrounded by people who are motivated to help and to look at things," said Blodgett.

## + AVAILABILITY

Many Winnipeg spaces now have gender-neutral washrooms, including:

- Fame Nightclub
- The Good Will Social Club
- University of Winnipeg
- Tallest Poppy

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## GOOD CAUSE

# This half marathon is full of hope



**Braeden Jones**  
Metro | Winnipeg

Runners will hit the road for the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) Half Marathon this weekend in what's sure to be another successful fundraiser for the Canadian Cancer Society.

Race director Sgt. Nick Paulet said the race is already "on track to beat last year's fundraising totals."

Last year the WPS Half brought in nearly \$100,000 through pledges, and a dollar-match deal with Brain Canada (a federally funded brain cancer research group) yielded \$200,000 in total.

That's great news for people like Joanne Schiewe, who helped raise awareness about the marathon 15 months ago when she was diagnosed with Stage IV Glioblastoma brain cancer.

This year, even as she undergoes chemotherapy, Schiewe is poised to compete for the sixth time.



**Joanne Schiewe**

"It's always been a race that was one of my favourites," said the Ironman triathlete and veteran of five marathons. "Last year when I got sick, they announced their partnership with the Canadian Cancer Society, where funds will go towards brain cancer (research)."

Given as little as a year to live, she brought in close to \$25,000 last year. This year she's raised another \$11,000. Along with the dollar-match deal with Brain Canada, Schiewe has directed just shy of \$75,000 to brain cancer research in just two years.

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# Police not taking laser hits lightly

AIR 1

## Teen arrested after pointer used to disrupt helicopter



**Braeden Jones**  
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The police don't care what a laser pointer is for or who is holding it — shining one into the cockpit of their helicopter is never going to be OK.

"It is serious to us and, regardless of age, we will pursue charges," said Const. Jason Michalysen.

A 16-year-old boy was arrested late Wednesday after hitting the police chopper Air1 multiple times with a green laser.

"While searching for the source of the laser, Air 1 was struck approximately five times, placing the aircraft and crew at serious risk," said Michalysen.

"Each illumination of the green laser filled the cockpit with refracted light ... (Causing) the flight crew to become

temporarily disoriented."

Further investigation indicated the light source was coming from a residence on Selkirk Avenue, where ground units responded and arrested the boy.

A laser pointer was located and seized.

"I think this is a reminder that we don't take this lightly in any way shape or form, whether we are dealing with a youth (or) an adult," Michalysen said. "This put a flight crew at risk ..."

"I think a 16-year-old knows the difference from right and wrong. Most do ... he'll be held accountable, and we'll let the court process take its course."

The boy has been released on a promise to appear and is charged with mischief endangering life and projecting a light source into navigable airspace.



**I think a 16-year-old knows the difference from right and wrong. Most do.**

Const. Jason Michalysen

## AROUND THE PROVINCE

### Recount ordered in Elmwood riding

There will be a judicial recount following a close result in a Winnipeg constituency in last week's Manitoba election.

The Progressive Conservatives applied for a recount in Elmwood, which New Democrat Jim Maloway won by 101 votes.

George Orle, lawyer for the Progressive Conservatives, says

he is not alleging any wrongdoing.

He says the margin was small enough that the party wants to ensure no mistakes were made, especially because there were many spoiled or declined ballots across the province.

The recount will be overseen by a judge and is scheduled for Monday.

The Tories captured 40 seats on election night compared to 14 for the NDP

and three for the Liberals.

Recounts are automatic when a margin of victory is less than 50 votes. When the margin is larger, parties have the right to ask for a judicial recount.

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### Manitoba Hydro rate increase approved

Manitobans will soon be paying more for electricity. The Public Utilities Board has given Manitoba Hydro

the green light to hike rates by 3.36 per cent.

Manitoba Hydro had wanted an increase of almost four per cent.

The higher rate is to take effect on Aug. 1. The increase means an average customer will pay about \$2.83 more per month.

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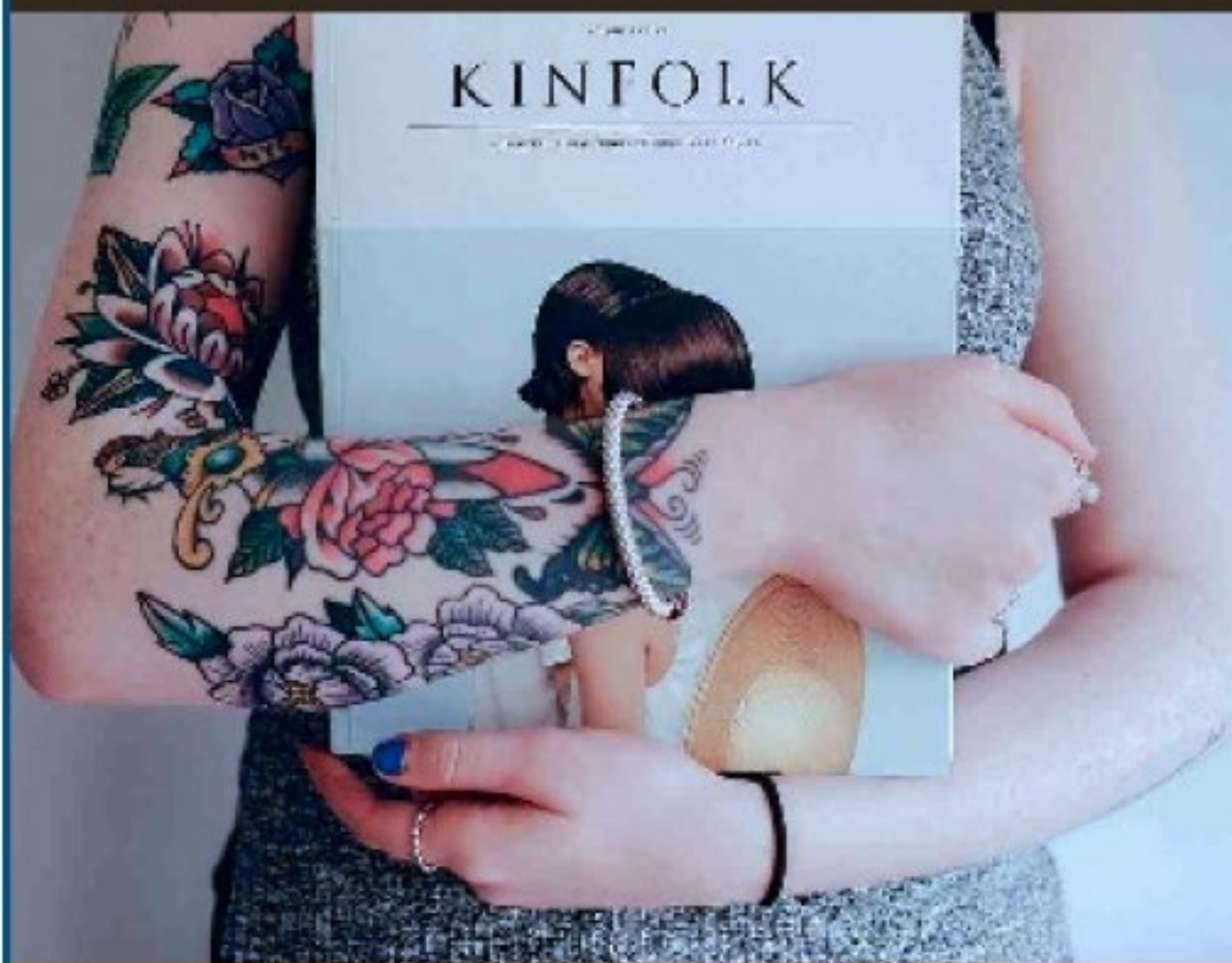


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Const. Jason Michalysheh says police are searching for two people who may have information about a fatal stabbing. BRAEDEN JONES/METRO

## Police seeking pair over fatal stabbing

### CRIME

### Alexander Ave. victim involved in a 'violent confrontation'



Winnipeg police have shared descriptions of two people that may help further their investigation into a fatal stabbing that occurred Wednesday afternoon.

Const. Jason Michalysheh said a violent confrontation happened on Alexander Avenue near Dee Street around

2:20 p.m.

In it, Gheorghe Uta, 52, was stabbed and rushed to hospital in critical condition, where he eventually succumbed to his injuries.

Uta was also the victim of an earlier stabbing on March 31 near the same location.

Michalysheh said there were two people seen in the area Wednesday who are of interest to the investigation.

The man is between 5 feet 9 inches and 6 feet tall and was seen wearing a dark hoodie riding a blue mountain bike. The woman, in her 20s, about 5 feet 4 inches tall and wearing a light zip-up hoodie, was seen on a white mountain bike.

"We believe these individ-



**They are individuals we wish to speak to; it's important we identify who they are.**

Const. Jason Michalysheh

uals have information or may in some way shape or form be associated to this incident," Michalysheh said.

Anyone able to help identify the pair or assist police in some other way is asked to call police at 204-986-6508 or Crime Stoppers at 204-786-8477.

### INFANT REMAINS TRIAL

## No extra jail time over fraud

A Winnipeg woman charged with hiding the remains of six infants in a storage locker will not serve any extra jail time for an unrelated fraud charge.

Andrea Giesbrecht pleaded guilty in February to swindling Manitoba's Employment and Income Assistance program of more than \$5,000.

She also admitted that she visited a casino despite a probation order prohibiting her from gambling.

A judge handed her a 60-day

**\$650,000**

Andrea Giesbrecht's lawyer said his client has a gambling addiction which has led to her losing more than \$650,000.

jail sentence, but Giesbrecht was given full credit because of time already served in custody.

Court heard that between

December 2011 and May 2012, Giesbrecht received payments from the assistance program despite being married and receiving rent from a property she owned.

Giesbrecht faces six counts of concealing the remains of infants in a Winnipeg U-Haul storage locker. Her trial began last week but has been adjourned until August.

She has been out of custody on bail since April 2015.

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# Brain laser deemed game changer

## HEALTH

### U of M alumni develop tool for surgeons to zap tumours



**Braeden Jones**  
Metro | Winnipeg

A tumour-cooking brain laser made in Manitoba is being recognized with a new national award for innovation.

Its proper designation is the "NeuroBlate System" and it is one of six future-shaping technologies receiving one of the inaugural Governor General's Innovation Awards.

The system, invented by University of Manitoba alumni Mark Torchia and Richard Tyc, allows brain surgeons to destroy tumours using a deep-penetrating laser.

Surgeons begin by drilling a pencil-sized hole in the skull, then inserting a laser probe to penetrate deep into the tumour with real-time data feedback and destroy it from the inside out.

A prepared statement explaining the technology says that, "essentially, this new tool allows surgeons to cook the tumour with lethal heat that they can control with unprecedented ability."

The system safely destroys the tumour and is the only system in the world that does so with real-time 3D visual feedback, all while preserving the surrounding tissue.

"It's an overwhelming honour to have our work recognized through this new award," Torchia said.

David Barnard, U of M president, said "all Manitobans should be proud of the ground-breaking research and development" done on the system and other projects in Winnipeg.

## + ACCOLADES

In addition to the Governor General's Innovation Award, the NeuroBlate system has been recognized with the Ernest C. Manning Principal Award.



Richard Tyc, left, and Mark Torchia pose next to their award-winning NeuroBlate System. KATIE CHALMERS-BROOKS/UNIVERSITY OF MANITOBA

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## Stolen bike turns into feel-good story

### ALTER EGO SPORTS

#### Man suffering with Kennedy's disease grateful for donation



**Evan Matthews**  
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"We're just happy to get you back on your bike, and mobile again."

That was the message Ace Burpee and his team had for a man suffering with a neuromuscular disease Thursday.

When Perry Hansen went to bed Saturday night, his custom-built bike was locked and

secured in his backyard with a chain. When he woke Sunday around 7 a.m., his bike was gone.

Hansen suffers from Kennedy's disease, which attacks his mobility. Hansen said riding his bike keeps him mobile and helps to keep his condition from regressing.

Burpee and his team heard Hansen's story, and he said he felt compelled to help.

"It's more than the freedom to go about his day," said Burpee. "He benefits greatly from the bike riding."

"The more he rides his bike, the more he fights off what's trying to attack his muscles."

Hansen was humbled and grateful for the help.

"I'll be going for a nice long ride with my grandson," said



Ace Burpee and Perry Hansen meet. EVAN MATTHEWS/FOR METRO

Hansen. "I'm overwhelmed."

"I can go to my doctor appointments now, and I can go shopping. I can go to the park."

Hansen's new bike folds in half so it can be carried easily, and stored in his house.

Both Hansen and Burpee

gave a big thanks to Alter Ego Sports, who they said donated the bike and made Burpee's action possible.

"There's no way I could afford a new one ... I'm glad I'll be able to ride around again," said Hansen. "I'm so happy."

### SUMMER EVENT

## Festival to serve up spicy Cajun fundraiser

Shrimp, sausage, crawfish and corn on the cob are on the menu as Festival du Voyageur hosts a traditional Cajun crawfish boil this summer at Fort Gibraltar.

Le Grand Régat Cajun brings the feel and flavour of Louisiana to our city on June 23.

"This is the first time we've done a fundraising event that isn't held during Festival," said

Dominique Tétrault, Marketing and Communications Director. "This will be a great opportunity to promote our brand in the summer as well as to showcase the activities that happen at Fort Gibraltar." All proceeds go to Festival du Voyageur's Francfonds Fund.

Tétrault said the idea for the celebration of Cajun culture and cuisine was hatched after a



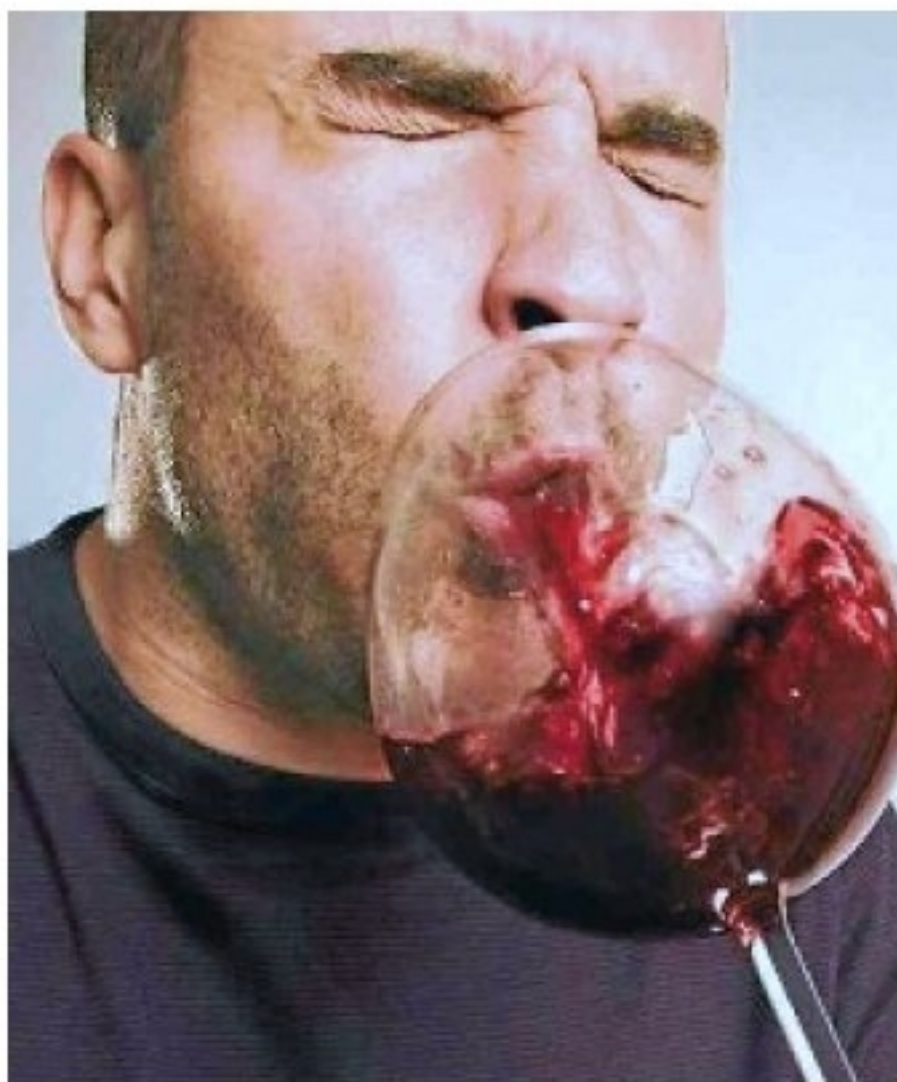
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colleague returned from a trip to Lafayette, La. Attendees are encouraged to don their plaid shirts and ceinture fléchées (sashes) for the outdoor dinner served on long communal tables inside the walls of the recreated fort.

Tickets for the event are \$125 and include a \$50 tax receipt. Get them at heho.ca

SHEL ZOLKEWICH/FOR METRO





Spitting out wine never tasted so good. GETTY IMAGES

## Eight tips for newbies from a sommelier

A newbie's guide to wine tasting, according to Gary Hewitt, president of the Canadian Association of Professional Sommeliers.

**1. Have a plan:** Get an event program before, or at the entrance of the event. Look over the wines being presented and their producers. Make a selection of your own personal highlights for the event.

**2. Go with your interest:** You could pick a grape variety. You could try to find a great chardonnay or a great cabernet

sauvignon. You could taste by region. It's up to you how you want to approach it.

**3. Give yourself a modest goal:** Professionals suggest eight to 12 wines. Within your goal, spend some time on each wine. Concentrate on them. Get a good impression, and get all of the details — including the vintage (year). With experts on hand, find interesting details about the wines.

**4. Spit:** Professionals spit so they're able to taste more wines. Spitting reduces the

amount of alcohol entering your system. There are experts on-hand to help with this process if you've never done it before. For the wines you want to taste objectively it's a good idea to spit. It's also a good idea to take breaks. Think about each wine. Don't just toss it back. Think about it.

**5. Relax:** Once you've met your goal, you're going to continue to taste, but don't concentrate as much. Your judgment fades after eight to 12 wines. You become influenced by what

others are saying, and your palate isn't as sharp in the beginning. Have some fun.

**6. Talk to others:** There is always a buzz about who in the room is pouring the best wines. Find out what others like. Sometimes it leads to a wine that wasn't on your radar.

**7. Keep reasonable expectations:** Don't try to do the whole festival — there are far too many wines.

**8. Be responsible:** Don't drink and drive.

EVAN MATTHEWS/FOR METRO

## How to spit like a pro wine taster

### WINE FESTIVAL

**Event offering a peek into what it's like to be a sommelier**



**Evan Matthews**  
For Metro | Winnipeg

Here's your chance to learn to spit like a real sommelier.

The unique station is just one of the events presented at the annual Winnipeg Wine Festival this year, in support of Special Olympics Manitoba.

According to its website, Winnipeg Wine Fest is bringing California Wines to the RBC Convention Centre with 149 wines from 40 different wineries.

Gary Hewitt, president of the Canadian Association of Professional Sommeliers, said the festival attracts people with different motivations, but this year they're offering a glimpse into what it's like to be a professional sommelier.

"We're going to be setting

up a practice spitting station with water," said Hewitt. "This is really going to help someone who wants to fine-tune their skills."

"Instead of being embarrassed at the tables, people can come over and practise ... to get the hang of it," he said.

Hewitt added they will also have aroma samples set up for people to smell. There will be experts in the room representing each winery, and they want to tell you about each wine, he said. Hewitt said he encourages people to learn as much as they can about the wines that interest them.

"People just go for fun too, and there is nothing wrong with that," said Hewitt. "It's a fundraising event, one meant to be enjoyable."

Hewitt added for anyone trying to maintain objectivity

throughout the event, having a plan for your tasting is important.

The festival's public tasting takes place Friday and Saturday at RBC Convention Centre. General admission is \$54.95. All participants must be 18 years or older.

**"We're going to be setting up a practice spitting station."**

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# King of catchy Phil Kives dies

## TELEVISION

### K-Tel founder always made time for family, says daughter

Phil Kives, the tireless and optimistic pitchman who pioneered the television infomercial, died Wednesday after being hospitalized with an undisclosed illness.

Kives, who was 87, grew up in poverty and made his riches after founding marketing company K-tel International. He sold everything from Miracle Brush hair removers to Veg-o-matic vegetable slicers to vinyl albums under titles such as Goofy Greats and filled with cheesy novelty hits.

Through it all, he remained in Winnipeg and always balanced his work with family life, his daughter, Samantha Kives, said Thursday.

"He would literally leave in the middle of a business meeting to come watch us play in a tennis tournament," she recalled.

"The commercials were also a family affair. A lot of the commercials he shot, he'd bring us kids in ... and we'd be actors

in the commercials."

Kives was born on a small farm near the town of Oungre, Sask., in 1929. The family survived on welfare at times during the Depression and by the age of eight Kives was trapping animals and selling the fur to afford clothes, according to his autobiography on the K-tel website.

"In 1957, I left the farm for good for the lights of the big city

**His favourite expression to us was 'Fear not' ... and I think that was his mantra for life.**  
Samantha Kives

of Winnipeg, Man. I had various jobs — from taxi driver to short-order cook. Then I tried my luck selling door-to-door, such items as cookware, sewing machines and vacuum cleaners," he wrote.

In 1961, Kives made his way to New Jersey and did sales items demonstrations at a department store.

The following year, he returned to Winnipeg and found

a new way to push products to a much larger audience.

"I made a live five-minute TV commercial on a Teflon non-stick fry pan. To my surprise, sales took off at a remarkable pace. I quickly spread the TV advertising throughout Canada and this five-minute commercial became the world's first infomercial ever."

More products would follow — including the Bedazzler, a Pocket Fisherman, a hamburger patty stacker and the mood ring sometimes accompanied by the hook line: "But wait, there's more!"

And for a generation of teenagers in the '60s and '70s, his legacy was a long list of compilation albums with hit songs that were sometimes edited down to fit 20 or more on two sides of vinyl. A glam-pop song by The Bay City Rollers could be found on the same record as country star Dolly Parton and soul act The Drifters.

Kives had a positive outlook that helped him overcome any business hurdle, his daughter said.

"His favourite expression to us was 'Fear not' ... and I think that was his mantra for life."

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## + REACTION

@RobbJMacKay

Well @cbcallinaday Goofy Greats was my first K-Tel album. To my chagrin, I still remember most of the lyrics. #Ktel

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We had many of these (record selectors) growing up in our house and it held more than a few #Ktel records. RIP Phil.

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RIP Phil Kives. My grandmother was your biggest #Ktel customer.

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And yes we have a pocket fisherman rod. Oh Ktel. The coolest stuff ever. Rip Phil.







# In search of faster internet

How fast is the internet in your province? A new study by the Canadian Internet Registration Authority shows Internet speeds are typically much faster in Eastern Canada.



**Luke Simcoe**  
Metro | Toronto

If you're looking for faster internet in Canada, head east.

A report released Thursday by the Canadian Internet Registration Authority (CIRA) shows a marked disparity between the speed and quality of internet access in eastern and western cities.

Boasting an average download speed of 22.3 megabits per second, Toronto topped the list, followed by Ottawa and Montreal. In contrast, Vancouver, Edmonton and Winnipeg all landed in the bottom half of the rankings.

CIRA president Byron Holland said it's difficult to pinpoint exactly why Toronto is a better place to Netflix-and-chill than Edmonton, but he suspects the presence of internet exchange points (IXPs) plays a role.

IXPs allow internet service providers (ISPs) to connect with each other and major content

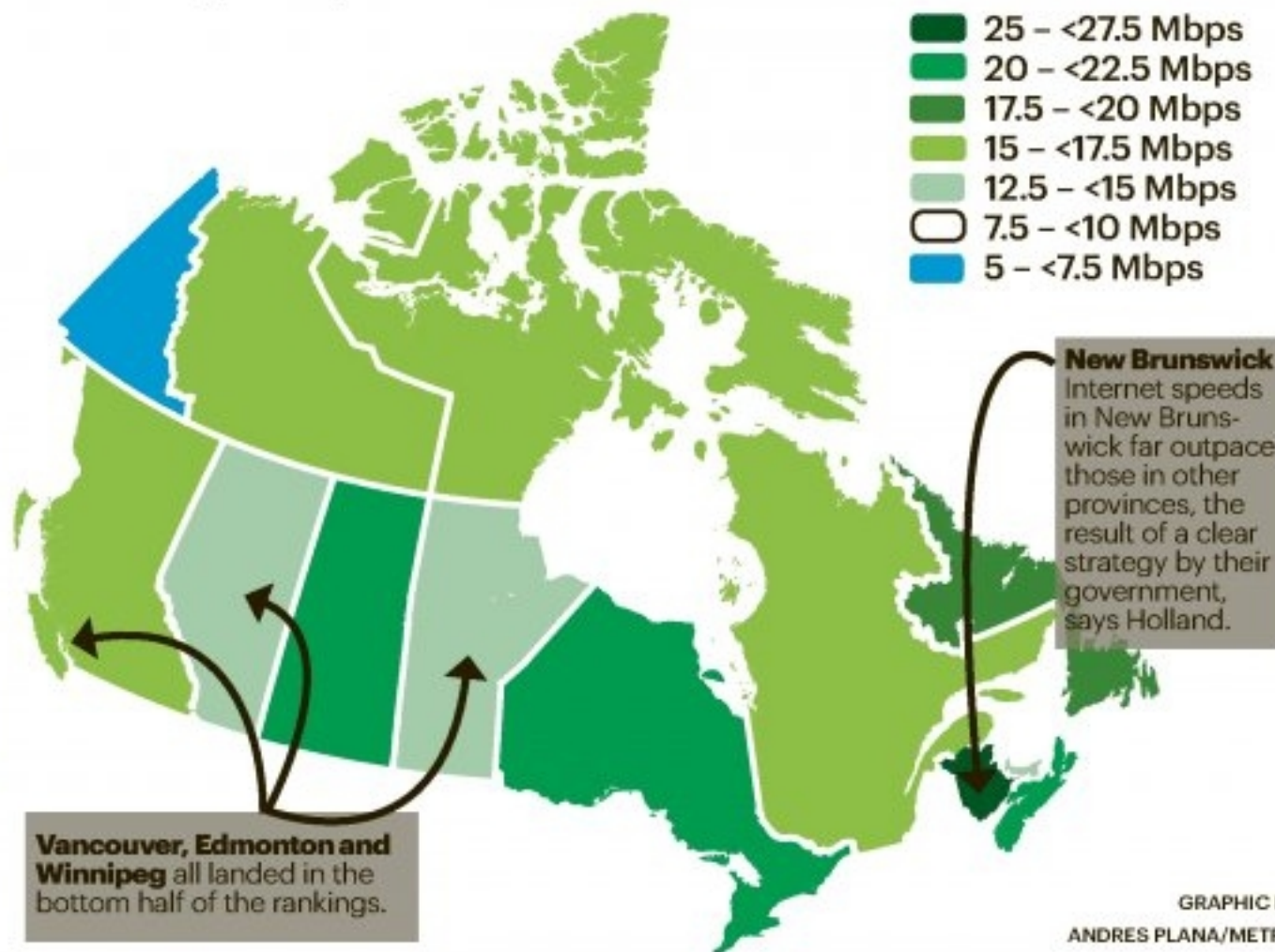
providers, like Google or Netflix, for example, to ensure faster connections between their networks. The country's largest IXP is located in Toronto, while those in cities like Calgary and Vancouver are just getting off the ground, Holland said.

"If you're in a city that doesn't have an IXP, then any internet net transactions you make, chances are they'll have to travel quite a distance before they get back to you," he said.

Rather than stoke western alienation, Holland hopes the results of the study will encourage residents in areas with poorer online performance to demand better from ISPs and the government.

Among the study's other findings was that internet speeds in rural and northern Canada were 25 per cent slower than those in urban areas.

"It really demonstrates that people in rural communities are being left behind," said Fenwick McKelvey, a Concordia



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ANDRES PLANA/METRO

University professor who studies internet performance.

McKelvey said it's incumbent on the federal Liberals to create

a national broadband policy to address disparities in internet quality and access.

"Prime Minister Justin Tru-

deau loves to talk about quantum computing, but he hasn't spoken much about everyday computing," he said.

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# Critics say library code not inclusive

DISCRIMINATION

**Activist group says new rules affect the city's most vulnerable**

A new code of conduct that warns foul-smelling patrons or those "lingering aimlessly" won't be tolerated at the Kingston, Ont., public library may not stand.

A group called Libraries are for Everyone says that while the new rules don't explicitly bar homeless or poor people from using the library, they will have that effect.

Group spokeswoman Nancy Jones says a motion to defer implementation on the code and invite public consultation was passed Wednesday evening at a meeting of the Kingston Frontenac Public Library board.

Libraries are for Everyone says the guidelines "may do more to stigmatize and marginalize some of the most vulnerable



People look at books at a public library in Kingston Ont. Thursday. The library has a new code of conduct, which critics say isn't inclusive for everyone. THE CANADIAN PRESS

library patrons."

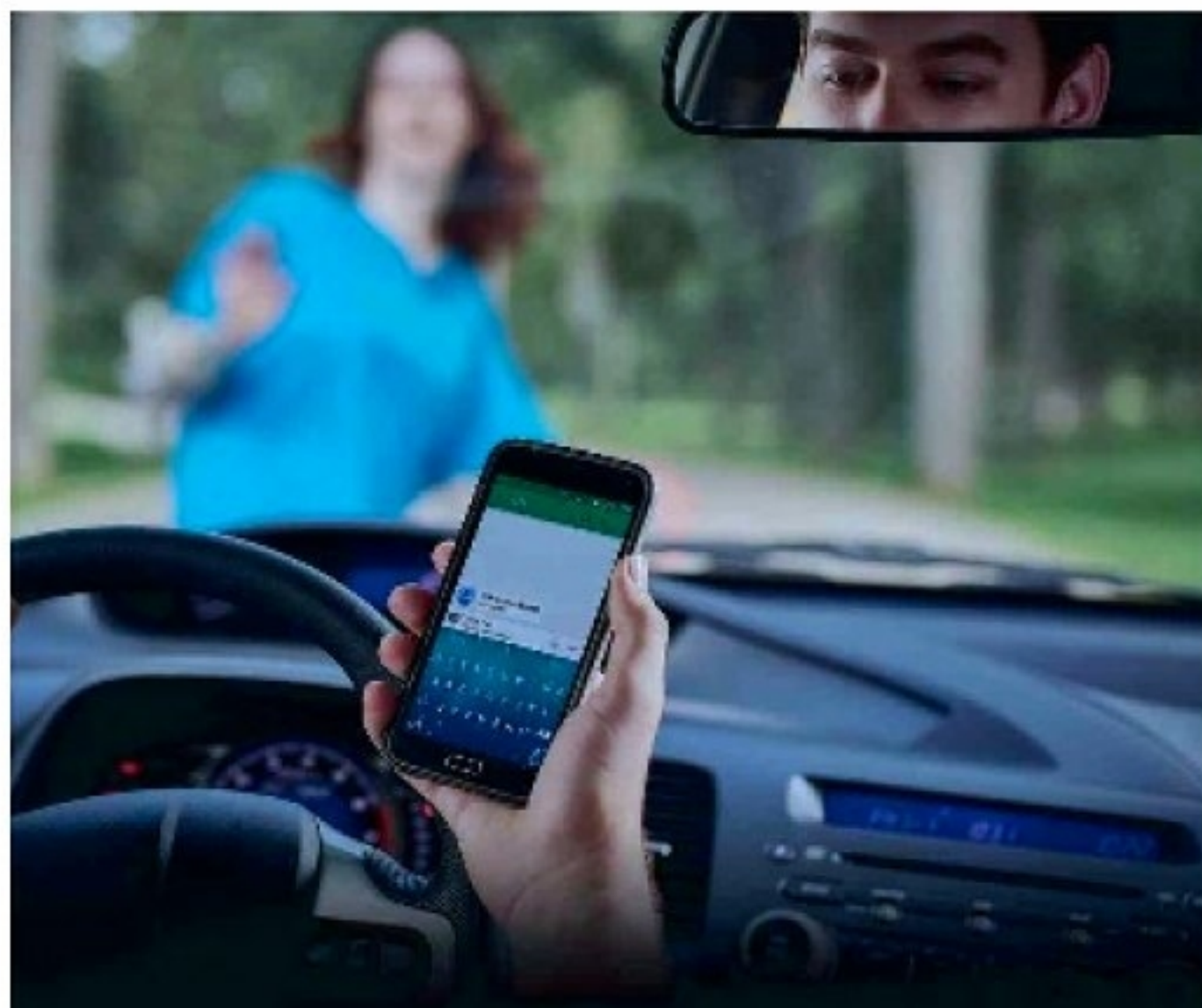
The library board has defended the policy, which came to the public's attention a few weeks ago.

The board is reaching out to shelters, police and mental health support to ensure that patrons whose needs exceed library services are directed to the appropriate organization, the statement says.

But Libraries are for Everyone says excluding people won't help.

Among the new guidelines is a note that "offensive body odour and/or offensive clothing/bag odour will not be tolerated," and that patrons must "limit the belongings" they bring inside.

"Loitering or sleeping is not permitted on library premises. Loitering is defined as sitting or standing idly about; lingering aimlessly without using library services, regular and/or prolonged attendance at the library without using library services." THE CANADIAN PRESS



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# Climate talks turn to Inuit

## ENVIRONMENT

### Meeting with minister opens dialogue about Arctic's future

Federal Environment Minister Catherine McKenna says the key to dealing with climate change in the Arctic is to have "real conversations" with the Inuit peoples who live there.

But Sally Jewell, the U.S. secretary of the interior, has a much blunter assessment, arguing climate impacts are already underway, can't be turned around and that moving some Arctic communities may be the only solution.

"We will have climate refugees," Jewell said Thursday after meeting McKenna at the Museum of History across the Ottawa River from Parliament Hill.

National parks, migratory species, climate change and Arctic adaptation — and an urban hike in the spring sunshine — were on their agenda.

They also met Natan Obed,



**From left, in centre:** Catherine McKenna, minister of environment and climate change, Sally Jewell, U.S. secretary of the interior, and U.S. ambassador to Canada Bruce Heyman walk across the Alexandra Bridge in Ottawa on Thursday. SEAN KILPATRICK/THE CANADIAN PRESS

the president of Inuit Tapiriit Kanatami, who has become a go-to sounding board for the new Liberal government on the matter of climate adaptation and mitigation in the Far North.

McKenna, not quite six months into her job leading the environment ministry in the climate-focused Trudeau

government, was her usual cautious self in describing the daunting challenges of climate change in the fast-warming Arctic. She stressed the importance of co-operation and dialogue when asked to name the single most important measure government can take to address climate change in the region.

Jewell, who has only months left in her post before the Obama administration is replaced, was far less circumspect.

"We need to provide support for adaptation and build communities that are resilient in the face of what's happening in the Arctic," the secretary said flatly. "You're

**“We have to figure out how to deal with potentially relocating villages.”**

Sally Jewell

not going to be able to turn this around.”

"We can stem the increase in temperature, we can stem some of the effects, perhaps, if we act on climate as we are committed to do through the Paris accords. But the changes are underway and they are very rapid. We will have climate refugees."

On average, Canada has warmed more than 1.3 degrees Celsius since 1948, according to Environment Canada. Parts of the Arctic have warmed at more than twice that rate.

The impact has been little short of disastrous. Melting permafrost is affecting the integrity of buildings and roads. Storms are clawing away shorelines in the absence of stabilizing sea ice.

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## CRIME

### Two teens abducted, beaten

Two Toronto teenagers allegedly caught up in one of the city's gang wars were kidnapped, beaten, forced to play Russian roulette and sexually assaulted over two harrowing days, police said Thursday.

A Canada-wide warrant has been issued for two of the people alleged to be behind the violent abductions as police try to prevent the conflict from escalating.

Toronto police Staff Insp. Mike Earl said the kidnapping took place hours after members of one gang tried to crash a party held by one of their rivals.

The teens were released on April 21 after family members agreed to ransom demands made by the alleged abductors. Earl did not say how much money changed hands.

Despite several arrests since April 23, Earl said police are still seeking a 23-year-old man and 17-year-old boy on a nationwide warrant.


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# Serbia Merkel seeks Germany

**REFUGEES**  
**Newborn baby represents dreams for better life**

She has wide brown eyes, rosy cheeks and thick black hair. Her name is Serbia Merkel al-Mustafa.

Serbia for the country where she was born just a few days ago, Merkel for the leader of Germany, where her Syrian refugee parents want to go in their desperate attempt to escape the war at home.

The al-Mustafa family is among hundreds of refugees stuck in Serbia after Austria and several Balkan nations shut their borders to migrants this winter. But the route that saw one million people reach Western Europe last year seems to be picking up in pace once again — and the family of four has high hopes of reaching their dream location soon.

"Inshallah, we will be in Germany one day," Jaafar, the proud father, said Thursday as he caressed his tiny daughter's



A baby named Serbia Merkel Al Mustafa sleeps in the "Krnjaca" collective centre, in Belgrade, Serbia on Thursday. Serbia for the country where she was born just a few days ago, Merkel for the German leader where her Syrian refugee parents want to go. DARKO VOJINOVIC/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

cheeks inside a cramped room with bunk beds at a drab refugee camp near Belgrade, the Serbian capital.

"We walked across mountains, nearly drowned in the rough seas," Jaafar said, holding the baby as mother Rasmyah tenderly watched after leaving a Belgrade maternity hospital

just a day before. "Nothing will stop us now."

Serbia Merkel is just one of many who have been born during the largest exodus into Europe since World War II. And she is not the only one named after Angela Merkel, the German chancellor, for her welcoming policies toward migrants from



Serbia Merkel and her family are among hundreds of migrants stuck in Serbia after the closure of the Balkan route for passage to more prosperous European nations. DARKO VOJINOVIC/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

the Middle East, Africa and Asia.

But since the closure of the Balkan migration route and a European Union deal with Turkey to deport some migrants back there, things have gone sour for the migrants. Thousands have been stuck in Greece, many camping in appalling conditions on the border with Macedonia, and thousands more have been forced to turn to human traffickers.


Jaafar al-Mustafa, a 27-year-old who walks with a metal cane, thinks Macedonian police let them into the country from Greece because they felt

pity for the family that also included 20 month-old Sarah and his heavily pregnant wife, 23-year-old Rasmyah.

"We have walked most of the way to Serbia," he said. "My wife started getting pains while walking. Lucky we made it to here before she started giving birth."

The migrants stuck in Serbia, including many children, are trying to figure out how to proceed deeper into Europe. Most hope to cross into Hungary and then Austria, despite those governments' tough stances toward refugees. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## PRINCE Police look into overdose report

Investigators are looking into whether Prince died from a drug overdose and whether a doctor was prescribing him drugs in the weeks before he was found dead at his home in suburban Minneapolis. 

A law enforcement official said Thursday that among the things investigators are looking at is whether a doctor was on a plane that made an emergency landing in Illinois less than a week before Prince died.

The official said investigators are looking at whether Prince overdosed on the plane and whether an overdose killed him, and at what kind of drugs were involved.

Prince died April 21. An autopsy has been performed, but results weren't expected for three to four weeks.

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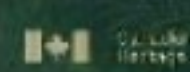
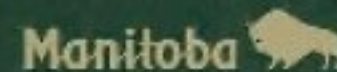
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# Philippines may be facing Daesh threat

TERRORISM

## Abu Sayyaf raising fears among many

Months before Abu Sayyaf militants beheaded retired Canadian mining executive John Ridsdel in the tropical jungles of the southern Philippines, they showed him pleading for life in a video with three other hostages that demanded a record-high ransom.

The scene was all too familiar in a Southeast Asian nation that has struggled with ransom kidnappings by Daesh for years, except for two things.

In the video that appeared in November, two black flags with Daesh symbols were displayed by the heavily armed Abu Sayyaf fighters in the backdrop of lush foliage. Then after a deadline for ransom lapsed on Monday, they killed the 68-year-old Ridsdel — instead of waiting patiently for the money as the mostly impoverished rural fighters have done in the past.

Shocked by the outcome, many in the largest Roman Catholic nation in Asia are asking if this is the same band of militants the government has long dismissed as ransom-seeking bandits. Or has the Philippines fallen into a growing list of countries that are now grappling with the spread of influence from Daesh in Syria and Iraq?

The Philippine government has insisted Daesh still has no presence in the country's south, homeland of minority Muslims who rose up to seek a separate state in the early 1970s.

In his first remarks following Ridsdel's killing, President Benigno Aquino III, whose term ends in two months, gave a history of the Abu Sayyaf's brutal attacks, describing it as a group of outlaws.

A major offensive is believed to have killed about 14 Abu Sayyaf militants in southern Sulu province this week, the military said.

"Even as it poses as a group of Islamic freedom fighters, the Abu Sayyaf has behaved as criminals

focused on enriching themselves by taking hostages for ransom," Aquino said, describing them as opportunists who want to "align themselves with (Daesh) to gain access to the funds and resources of (Daesh)."

Terrorism experts, however, believe that a key Abu Sayyaf faction and at least two other small armed groups have gone beyond pledging allegiance to the Middle East-based jihadis on video and have struck a new alliance under the Daesh flag.

In November, Abu Sayyaf beheaded a Malaysian hostage despite ongoing ransom negotiations. It happened while Manila was hosting an Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation summit attended by world leaders.

Another armed group, which has brandished the Daesh's black flag in southern Butig town but is not yet known to have joined Hapilon's alliance, recently posted a picture online of two kidnapped villagers in orange garb before they were beheaded as suspected military spies.

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Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump's claims that Hillary Clinton is playing "the woman's card" is drawing intense backlash on social media. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



## Donald Trump mocked over 'woman's card' comment

Republican presidential candidate Donald Trump's claim that Hillary Clinton is playing "the woman's card" has drawn intense backlash, from the Democratic front-runner herself as well as tens of thousands of critics on social media.

"If fighting for women's health care and paid family leave and equal pay is playing the 'woman card,' then deal me in," Clinton said in Philadelphia as she celebrated wins in four out of five of

Tuesday's Democratic primaries. Trump had levelled the "woman's card" accusation Tuesday after his own five-state primary sweep.

"She's playing that card like I've never seen anyone play it before," Trump said on NBC's "Today" Thursday.

Trump's remarks prompted social media hashtags like #dealmeinand#womancard, the latter ranking among the top 10 global trending topics on Twitter Wednesday, with more than 45,000 tweets by late afternoon.

Voters also circulated video of Mary Pat Christie, the wife of Trump backer and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, who stood behind Trump during his victory speech Tuesday and looked as though she was rolling her eyes.

The exchange highlights Trump's perilous standing among female voters who could help propel Clinton to the White House. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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CALIFORNIA

## Beach dealing with whale of a problem

Crews using earth-moving equipment have begun removing the rotting carcass of a massive grey whale that washed up on a California beach.

A bulldozer rolled the 30-ton whale away from the water's edge on Thursday and higher up on San Onofre State Beach.

A heavy equipment operator then began using a mechanical claw to chop off pieces, which will be hauled by dump trucks to a landfill. Curiosity seekers have been visiting the beach,

despite the stench.

The whale washed ashore Sunday at a popular surf break called Lower Trestles north of San Diego. The cause of death has not been determined.

The work by an emergency contractor is expected to take a couple of days and cost about \$30,000 US.

Grey whales are currently migrating north toward arctic waters after wintering in Baja California lagoons.

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A crowd gathers around the carcass of a whale at a popular surfing spot in California. LENNY IGNEZI/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## Community fear for lives

BANGLADESH

### Killings target atheist writers, outspoken moderates

The killing of two gay rights activists in the Bangladeshi capital has driven the country's already secretive and small gay community underground, wondering if they can trust a government that considers their status to be criminal, rights groups said.

Police detectives say they are working with evidence including a mobile phone, documents and witness testimony to solve the case, in which a gang of young men fatally stabbed a theatre actor and the editor of Bangladesh's only LGBT rights magazine, who also worked for the U.S. Agency for International Development.

But with these being the latest killings in an ongoing wave of violence targeting atheist writers and outspoken moderates, members of Bangladesh's minority groups and civil society worry they're not safe, while rights groups question the government's repeated claims that the situation is under control.

That fear is especially strong among members of Bangladesh's largely closeted gay

community. "They have gone into hiding. They are feeling particularly vulnerable," said Meenakshi Ganguly of Human Rights Watch. "Being gay is hard enough in conservative societies."

After the government advised those at risk to simply lay low and avoid offending others, she said, "LGBT people are hardly likely to have faith in a government that pretty much denies the LGBT community exists."

Already, five people have been killed this year, after nine were slain in 2015. But while authorities have arrested suspects in some of those cases — mostly low-level operatives following orders in allegedly carrying out the attacks — none has yet been prosecuted, and authorities have yet to identify the masterminds.

The attacks follow a similar pattern: a group of young men wielding knives or machetes approach their victim as his guard is down, perhaps while he is strolling down the street or relaxing at home. The men spew hateful language, then hack and stab at the victim before disappearing, often without a trace.

Nearly all of those killed are considered soft targets: atheist bloggers, foreign aid workers, a university professor, and now gay rights activists.

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# Tablet sales are tanking

## TECHNOLOGY

### But devices still remain popular among consumers

Consumers have officially fallen out of love with tablets and are having their heads turned by larger smartphones and more powerful 2-in-1 devices instead.

Everyone laughed when Microsoft unveiled the first Surface Pro and claimed that the future was in touchscreen PCs, not tablets. But the latest data from Strategy Analytics, published Thursday, shows that Microsoft was clearly on to something.

In the first quarter of 2016, global tablet sales fell a further 10 percent. Just 46.5 million devices were shipped — the lowest recorded amount in more than three years. Apple, Samsung and Lenovo have all seen the

popularity of their devices slide, yet at the same time, devices running Windows are on the upswing.

Shipments grew 82 per cent year-on-year and now these tablets — essentially touch-screen PCs — have a 13 per cent market share, which is impressive considering that the iPad's share is currently 22 percent.

On Wednesday, IDC's latest figures regarding the health of the global smartphone market showed that popularity is still growing — 334.9 million devices were shipped during the first quarter of 2016 — but at a slower rate.

IDC attributes it to saturation. The smartphone is officially ubiquitous and the typical handset now sports a display on par with a compact tablet. This move from phone to phablet is also helping to make the traditional tablet obsolete as a device.

But, according to Strategy Analytics, there is still life in



In the first quarter of 2016, global tablet sales fell a further 10 percent. However, there is hope in the form of 2-in-1 devices and hybrids. ISTOCK

the tablet market when it comes to premium devices like the iPad Pro and the Surface Pro.

"The key for Apple and major Android and Windows vendors will be how aggressively

they pursue the enterprise and prosumer markets with their 2-in-1 Tablets, which is still a growing segment," said Peter King, Strategy Analytics Research Director, Tablet & Touchscreen Strategies service.

The company believes that consumers and companies alike are going to start snapping up 2-in-1s and hybrid devices, but that means that notebook PCs are going to be shunned instead. AFP

## GAMING

### Age of consoles may be numbered

Sony may be back in profit thanks to strong demand for its latest-generation PlayStation and its assorted games. However, the days of the dedicated games console look to be numbered.

The majority of U.S. and European homes currently have a PlayStation or Xbox nestling under the television but according to Parks Associates, fewer than 50 per cent of US homes will still have one by 2019.

"Game consoles remain one of the key elements of the connected home, but other devices are gaining importance, including smart TVs and streaming media players," said Brett Sappington, Senior Research Director, Parks Associates.

Gaming has never been more popular among consumers of all ages and genders. However, people are becoming more and more likely to reach for a smartphone or even the controller for a set top box. According to Flurry Analytics, the average smartphone owner spends 33 minutes a day just on gaming. AFP

## INNOVATION

### See Mars with NASA's 360° view

Take a look around Mars through the eyes of a space rover using a 360° video that NASA has published online.

The two-minute video provides 360° views of the Martian landscape, featuring footage taken on April 4 by the Mast camera atop NASA's Curiosity rover, which first landed on the planet in 2012.

A press release explains what viewers see before them: "The scenes show wind-sculpted textures in the sandstone bedrock close to the rover, and Gale Crater's rim rising



Curiosity rover films 360° view of Mars. NASA/JPL-CALTECH/MSSS

above the crater floor in the distance. Mount Sharp stands in the middle of the crater, which is about 96 miles (154 kilometres) in diameter."

The rover is now heading back towards a lake-deposited mudstone surface 4.7 miles away to learn more about Mars' microbial history. AFP

## ONLINE

### Filling in Wikipedia's little language gaps

The Gap Finder is an article recommendation system that aims to encourage more translations within Wikipedia.

Due to the unbalanced percentage of languages on the Wikipedia database, the company's research department has launched an initiative to encourage more of the volunteer editors to translate articles. In order to do this, they have built the Gap Finder — currently in beta mode — which locates

articles lacking translations, prioritizes them, and then uses an algorithm to locate and contact the ideal volunteer for the task.

Leila Zia and Dario Taraborrelli from the Wikimedia Foundation explain that the tool "identifies] trending articles in a given source language and missing in a target language. It also allows you to search for recommendations based on the specific topics you are interested in." AFP

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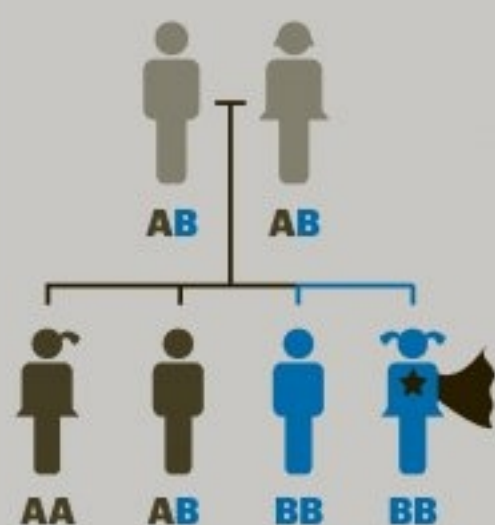
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## DECODED Genetic superheroes

# THE MUTANTS LIVE AMONG US

Forget the X-Men. There are real-life superheroes (two kinds!) all around us. Some have genes that give them special powers to rival The Avengers. Others have mutations that should have given them ghastly diseases, but they're fine. **Why? No one knows (yet).** But these freaks of nature — in the best sense — might hold the keys to treating some of the trickiest medical conditions we know of.

### 13 MYSTERY MUTANTS



Researchers sifted through the **DNA profiles of 589,306 people** and cross-referenced them with medical records. After checking and re-checking, they found 13 people who had the genes for severe genetic disorders but no disease.

Consider the family above: Both parents are carriers of the lung disease cystic fibrosis (CF). One of their children got both the bad (**B**) genes and therefore CF. Another kid got the exact same genes but is perfectly healthy.

Nobody knows how these superhumans pulled this off, but scientists think some might have another mutation that counteracts the first.

#### HIV SHIELD

The **CCR5 gene** codes for a protein on the surface of white blood cells — the gate that lets in the virus that causes HIV/AIDS. In people who have two copies of a rare form of this gene, the gate stays closed — making them resistant to HIV/AIDS.

#### (ALMOST) UNBREAKABLE BONES

People with an unusual change to the **LRP5 gene**, which creates a protein that helps regulate bone development and healing, have super-strong, break-resistant bones but an otherwise normal skeleton.

#### SUPER-COLOUR VISION

Several genes on the X-chromosome code for light-sensitive proteins in the cone cells of our eyes. A few women with a mutation that causes them to have an extra type of cone might be able to distinguish colours the rest of us can't.

#### LONG LIFE

It's theoretical at this point, but a small group of people who lived to a ripe old age with very few health problems share a rare form of the **COL25A1 gene**, which is involved in the development of the brain plaques that plague people with Alzheimer's.

#### POWERFUL MUSCLES

Some changes to the **LMNA gene** cause devastating changes to muscle development and cell division. But one mutation is a mixed blessing: it can cause dangerously high levels of blood fats but also a super-lean, muscled physique. Canadian Olympic hurdler Priscilla Lopes-Schliep famously has this trait.

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## FINDINGS

### Your week in science



#### ROAD RAGE RESEARCH

Psychiatrists at McGill University have found that incorrigible drunk drivers and serial speeders have different personalities and hormonal responses to stress than people who pass politely on the highway.

#### AMAZING AMAZON

Where the mouth of the mighty Amazon river meets the Atlantic lies a previously unexplored underwater world. It's a coral reef system with "the most amazing and colourful animals," according to study author Patricia Yager — and it's already under threat from ocean acidification and oil exploration.

## SOUND SMART

# PRION DISEASE



#### DEFINITION

**Prions** are rogue proteins that take on an abnormal shape and force other, healthy proteins to do the same, leading to **prion diseases**. Bovine spongiform encephalopathy (**mad cow disease**) is a contagious prion disease.

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## CITIZEN SCIENTIST by Genna Buck

# Should I be scared of sunscreen?

#### How do I choose a relatively chemical-free sunscreen? — Anna, Winnipeg

Thank you for this question! This is my favourite topic ever!

First: All sunscreens contain chemicals (also, everything is a chemical). I know that what you mean is active ingredients.

Sunscreen protects against sun damage, and sun damage causes skin cancer. Just five bad sunburns in your teens increase your risk by 80 per cent. (Oops).

Maybe you always stay in the shade wearing a hat and a long shirt and pants over your swimsuit. No? Then every time you forego sunscreen, you take a risk. So. Let's talk "chemicals."

Sunblocks (often marketed as "natural") contain nanoparticles of zinc or titanium. They're a bit pasty and they physically block sunlight. There's very little research on nanoparticles' health effects, but no indication that they're dangerous or unhealthy. Conventional sunscreens con-

tain chemicals that absorb UV light. Oxybenzone is the one people freak out about. There's not much research, but oxybenzone seems to disrupt sex hormones — at least, in rats that ate the equivalent of a 150-pound person drinking 10 bottles of SPF 60 sunscreen per day.

In a more realistic study, there was no significant difference in hormones among people who were slathered with concentrated oxybenzone cream for four days, compared to controls.

We don't know much about the long-term risks and benefits of sunscreen. Who remembers what kind of sunscreen, and how much, they were using in 1979?

Living scientifically is all about making the best choices we can with the evidence at hand.

I think the risk of skin cancer outweighs the hypothetical risks of chemicals. Just use sunscreen. It doesn't matter what kind.

Science Question? Tweet @genna\_buck

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## Substance on top of a smile

### CAREER

### Julia Roberts' work shows she likes biting into meaty movie roles

**Richard Crouse**  
For Metro Canada



Julia Roberts is one of the biggest female movie stars of all time.

With a career box office north of \$2 billion, she and her megawatt smile were the stuff of blockbusters throughout the '90s and early 2000s.

She was everywhere, and then, somewhere around the time Jennifer Lawrence was celebrating her 13th birthday, Roberts stepped away. Not completely, but she jumped off the Hollywood treadmill, doing what movie stars who have nothing left to prove do.

That is, whatever she wanted. She stayed out of view, voicing a couple of animated movies and popping up in the occasional film, some high profile — like the ensemble of *Ocean's Twelve*; some not, like *Fireflies in the Garden* — but the days of solo *Pretty Woman*-esque success were, by her own choosing, behind her.

By and large, her choices became a bit more eclectic as she relied less on

the famous smile and more on flexing her acting muscles.

Since 2004's *Closer* her filmography has been splintered between crowd-pleasers like *Eat Pray Love*, dramas like *August: Osage County* and misfires like *Secret in Their Eyes*.

This weekend she's back working with Garry Marshall, the director who helped make her famous. She's starring in *Mother's Day*, her fourth collaboration.

The pair make a movie roughly every 10 years, from 1990's *Pretty Woman* to *Runaway Bride* in 1999 to 2010's *Valentine's Day* to this year's entry, and their combo usually delivers big box office.

In between the commercial films she makes with Marshall, Roberts makes a movie a year. While they haven't always connected with audiences, many are worth a look.

*Duplicity* is a romantic comedy about espionage. Imagine if Rock Hudson and Doris Day starred in *Mission Impossible*. Instead you have Roberts as an experienced CIA officer looking for a change and Clive Owen as a charming MI6 agent.

Both left the world of international intrigue for the infinitely more profitable task of corporate security. Together they launch an elaborate plan of corporate dirty tricks to steal a top-secret formula that will revolutionize the cosmetics industry.

Roberts and Owen are witty and



Julia Roberts in *Pretty Woman*, her first collaboration with Garry Marshall. She now stars in a new movie of his: *Mother's Day*. PRETTY WOMAN HANDOUT

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**Roberts jumped off the Hollywood treadmill, doing what movie stars who have nothing left to prove do.**

charming and *Duplicity*, with its entertaining performances and stylish look, is a bit of fun despite its convoluted story.

*August: Osage County*, an all-star remounting of Tracey Letts's hit Broadway play, gives Roberts her juiciest role in years. As Barbara she's a bit of an enigma. She's a jumble of mixed, complicated emotions, capable of both great kindness and compassion but able only to express herself through tough love.

When she explodes she lets loose a lifetime of rage stemming from her mother's (played by Meryl Streep) mistreatment. When they go head-to-head it is the clash of the titans and an unforgettable scene.

Finally, there's *Larry Crowne*, a boomer comedy aimed at audiences with memories long enough to remember when gas only cost 54 cents a litre, none of your neighbours had foreclosure signs on their front lawns and Tom Hanks and Roberts ruled the box office.

It's an uplifting comedy about middle age, brave enough to tackle modern problems like downsizing and foreclosure, but non-challenging enough to weave all the bad stuff into a pseudo romantic comedy. Hanks and Roberts cut through the material like hot knives through butter and Julia treats audiences to one of her trademarked laughing scenes.

### MOVIE RATINGS by Richard Crouse

**Mother's Day** ★★  
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# Retread, remake, repress

## SUMMER PREVIEW

### Little stomach for risk-taking among pricey blockbusters

Hollywood's summer, which kicks off with the fittingly combative *Captain America: Civil War*, will be a season of struggle: for box office, for originality and for opportunity.

More than ever, the big tent of summer moviegoing is held up by a forest of tent poles stretching from May to August. The swelling size of the summer movie has turned the season into a game of survival. The possibility of bombing lurks as an ever-present threat, testosterone often dominates in front of and (especially) behind the camera, and few non-sequel, non-reboot films dare to compete.

Box office and stress levels run high in equal measure.

"It's a different landscape than 2002 when the first *Bourne* movie came out," says Matt Damon, who returns to the franchise in Paul Greengrass' *Jason Bourne* on July 29. "It's like a high-stakes poker game that I don't want to be in. The swings are just so brutal. Ben (Affleck) just opened *Batman v Superman* a few weeks ago. Everyone around him and in his life was nervous about it."

This season is particularly risk-adverse. Out of the 33 films coming from the major studios, only 12 aren't a sequel, reboot or based on an already popular property, such as a video game or bestseller. Take comedy and horror out of the equation and you're left with just a handful of originals.

One of them is Jodie Foster's *Money Monster* on May 13, a thriller about a brash financial news pundit taken hostage on the air, starring George Clooney and Julia Roberts.



A scene from *Independence Day: Resurgence*, opening in theaters on June 24. 20TH CENTURY FOX



Julia Roberts in *Money Monster*, opening May 13. SONY PICTURES

Foster's film is doubly rare. She's one of only two female filmmakers helming major studio releases this summer. Though equality remains a year-round issue, the constricted summer months can reveal Hollywood at its most retrograde.

"It's interesting to me that the studio system still sees women as a risk," says Foster, who wonders if women ultimately even want to inherit some of the kinds of films that dominate the summer.

"There are movies that are part of the system we may not

be that interested in embracing. I think that more women in the film business will look slightly different than it's looked in the past for men."

Paul Feig's *Ghostbusters* reboot, coming July 15, stars four of the funniest comedic perform-

ers around: Melissa McCarthy, Kristin Wiig, Kate McKinnon and Leslie Jones. With that lineup, Feig relishes heading into "the big guns of summer."

"To put out a movie like this in the heart of tentpole season when it's all these big movies



From left: Melissa McCarthy, Kate McKinnon, Kristin Wiig and Leslie Jones in *Ghostbusters*, opening July 15. COLUMBIA PICTURES

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It's like a high-stakes poker game that I don't want to be in.

Matt Damon

out there, I find it very exciting because a lot of these movies are very male driven, even though they have some great female characters in them," Feig says.

This summer includes a number of anticipated sequels (*Finding Dory*, *Star Trek Beyond*, *Alice Through the Looking Glass*), the expected superhero films (*Civil War*, *Suicide Squad*, *X-Men: Apocalypse*) and some less-likely resurrections (*The Legend of Tarzan*, *Ben-Hur*, *Independence Day: Resurgence*). Recent history is clear: These will be among the summer's biggest hits. Last summer (the second-biggest ever with nearly \$4.5 billion in box office), seven of the top 10 movies were remakes, sequels or came from a comic book. Ditto for four of the top five movies so far in 2016.

One much smaller film, *Life*, Animated on July 8, will hope to sway moviegoers from the blockbusters while simultaneously reminding them of the power of movies.

The documentary, directed by Roger Ross Williams, is about an autistic young man, Owen Suskind, who found language through his love of Disney animated classics.

"It's rare that you create a film like this that generations can enjoy together," says Williams. "In the summer this is an alternative where families can go together and see it and hopefully be inspired and uplifted."

To be uplifted rather than pummeled at summer theatres would indeed be a radical change of pace.

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# The trebled history of the saxophone

THE DEVIL'S HORN

## Documentary looks at instrument's bizarre history

Richard Crouse

For Metro Canada



The sexy and seductive sound of the saxophone is as close to the cooing voice of a loved one as any instrument can be. Yet, for that very reason the instrument has had a long and storied past ripe with more intrigue than any James Patterson thriller. In the new documentary *The Devil's Horn* director Larry Weinstein walks us through the sax's wild, woolly and supposedly cursed history.

"It is one of these things where truth is stranger than fiction," he says. "Certainly the life of (inventor) Adolphe Sax is terribly bizarre. From the near deaths he had as a child to the jealousy of instrument makers who actually tried to kill him, twice, and burn down his fac-



The *Devil's Horn* features interviews with jazz musician **Giuseppi Logan**. Filmmaker **Larry Weinstein**, seen right, says the true history of the saxophone is stranger than fiction. CONTRIBUTED

tory, it looks entirely fictionalized but everything we say about him is true. Then he got this cancerous growth that was so large he couldn't eat or drink or breathe. By the time he was

ready to come back to work his patents had run out. He died in total poverty."

The idea of the cursed instrument seems to have originated with its inventor. "Adolphe Sax

himself had this dream that devils with saxophones were pulling people to hell."

The movie describes how sax icons Charlie 'Bird' Parker, John Coltrane and many other play-



ers of the "devil's instrument" battled heroin addiction, creating sounds so carnal and voluptuous they were outlawed by everyone from the Nazis (who banned the sax from the Earth) to the Vatican. Movie studios barred it from soundtracks and it put the sex in sex, drugs and rock n' roll.

"I always thought when they talked about it sounding like a human voice they meant the timbre of the saxophone. Like

the human voice, the sax has alto, tenor, soprano and bass, but I think it also has to do with the fact that it can bend and growl, that it can moan and weave around seductively. Also, you can play with so little air it can whisper but it can also scream and be much louder than most of the other brass instruments."

Of course the horn and its players aren't truly cursed but Weinstein says, "other instrumentalists have those problems and they exist in classical music too, but for some reason not to the extent that saxophonists have suffered."

Using a mix of archival footage and new interviews with musicians like Colin Stetson and Giuseppi Logan, Weinstein gets past that catchy concept to make a compelling case for the sax as more than a symbol of depravity and immorality and Mr. Sax as "one of the greatest geniuses in the history of music."

"The problem with the saxophone is you pick it up, blow into it and there is a beautiful rich sound right away. Adolphe Sax made it so people who can't play well sound good. That's the genius of the guy."

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Patrick Stewart, centre, in a scene from *Green Room*. Stewart plays Darcy Banker, the leader of a ferocious white supremacist fiefdom based in the Pacific Northwest.

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# Tension built on tiny set

OPENING FRIDAY

**'Potent' world of gory thriller brought crew person to tears**

Trapped inside the tiny set of *Green Room*, seven actors were slowly losing their minds as they stared at the carnage before them.

One cast member was writhing on the floor in agony while the others paced the space, which doubled as the cramped backstage of a neo-Nazi club.

Blood was pouring everywhere and the tension was becoming so thick the film's script supervisor broke down in tears.

"That world is so potent," says actor Anton Yelchin, reflecting on the experience of making the gritty thriller with a small film crew.

"There's 15 people in an enclosed room with smoke pumped into it. It's very emotionally draining."

through the film's pulse-pounding sequences, which play in near real-time.

Director Jeremy Saulnier says the challenge of *Green Room* was making each moment seem like an act of desperation.

"The pitbulls, the stunts, the shotguns ... that was the easy part," Saulnier says.

"The hardest part was keeping this movie hyper intense."

Saulnier says he grappled with his own career direction in the aftermath of his previous film *Blue Ruin*, which caught the attention of Hollywood executives with its explosive moments of violence ripping through the suspense.

They wanted the indie filmmaker to helm their own big-budget projects with a similar bent.

"I was at a crossroads," he says. "All of the sudden I had opportunities I'd never dreamt of."

But instead of taking the bait, as he puts it, Saulnier tackled a challenging project that appealed to him

**"The pitbulls, the stunts, the shotguns ... that was the easy part. The hardest part was keeping this movie hyper intense. Director Jeremy Saulnier"**

Yelchin — known for his role as Chekov in the latest *Star Trek* movies — was at the centre of the action playing a member of a punk band that unexpectedly witnesses a grisly murder.

Boxed into a music venue's green room, the group begins a desperate fight for their lives.

Patrick Stewart, a fellow *Star Trek* alum and leader of the captors, says he could feel the intensity inside the room — even though his role is played outside, separate from most of the violence.

"There are a lot of startling moments. It's quite shocking and not for the squeamish," he says.

Stewart's calm and collected villain elevates the uncertainty that charges

personally.

*Green Room* is based on a script he wrote and pays homage to his roots as a teenage filmmaker who raced around with his friends shooting footage on a camcorder for the pure love of it.

"The movies we made were like goofy zombie comedies or violent cop movies," he said.

"Something about it felt so pure and I wanted to celebrate that and also make a film that just wouldn't be about shocks and good times, but also a legitimate emotional journey."

*Green Room* opens Friday in Calgary, Edmonton, Halifax, Hamilton, London, Ont., Ottawa, Toronto, Vancouver, Victoria and Winnipeg.

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THE TV DINNER JESSICA ALLEN



## 2016 is a year that requires us to think about how and why we mourn public figures. We need more thoughtfulness than our speed-obsessed social media allows

The other night I made orecchiette with rapini, anchovies, garlic, and bread crumbs. I used to make this pasta all the time, on account of it being so simple, but I'd forgotten about it.

I also forgot how much I enjoy Garry Shandling, who passed at 66 away on March 24.

Three months earlier, he appeared with his good friend Jerry Seinfeld on his show *Comedians in Cars Getting Coffee*, which we

watched with dinner. Driving in a 1979 Porsche 9-30 Turbo, the two affectionate friends hit up L.A.'s Comedy Store, where they both got their start, DuPar's Restaurant and Bakery, and CBS studios where they both helmed shows during the '90s. They poke fun at Matthew McConaughey's Lincoln commercials, talk work ethics, life, and death — including Shandling's own.

"What I want at my funeral is for an actual boxing referee to do a count," he jokes to Seinfeld, "and at five, just wave it off and say, 'He's not getting up.'"

We launched into episodes of *The Larry Sanders Show*, Shandling's groundbreaking sitcom about a late night talk show, immediately after. "You in-



vented a certain kind of air," Seinfeld said about the series, which ran for six seasons and concluded in 1998. "You created an original content form. Do you ever watch TV — *The Office*, *Modern Family* — and think, 'Oh look, they're still doing me—that thing I invented.'"

Shandling said that when he first pitched the show, he couldn't provide references to other series — this was 14 years before *30 Rock* — because it was so entirely original.

I didn't watch the show until I was in my 30s. Larry Sanders deals in the darkest shades of comedy,

pitilessly scrutinizing the foibles of human frailty: vanity, insecurity and pathological selfishness. Those horrible impulses, wrapped up in ego and universally shared — making them universally humorous — weren't something that my younger self was aware of... yet.

But revisiting the show now, after having occasionally appeared on TV myself, made me almost too self-aware: In my darkest moments I worry that I'm a little like Hank and Larry.

On Sunday about 500 people, including Sarah Silverman, Warren Beatty, and Johnny Depp, gathered for a memorial service for Garry Shandling. About a dozen friends shared memories and told jokes — including Judd Apatow, who wrote for *The Larry Sanders Show*.

Apatow fought back tears, according to the *Hollywood Reporter*, and then launched right into a joke about Shandling and Prince having so much in common, which caused "the night's first wave of uproarious laughter."

"Both stood up against the man to get their shit

back, and both were sexy as a mother f—er... The only difference between the two was that Garry had a huge c—," Apatow said, adding that the punchline was "the joke Garry would have wanted."

2016 is a year that requires us to think about how and why we mourn public figures. We need more thoughtfulness than our speed-obsessed social media allows.

As one Titan after another returns to Olympus, specific codes are called for, depending on who died: Getting odd was good for Bowie, Prince's passing requires reflecting on that moment we found our inner freak, and Garry Shandling demands some penis and fart jokes.

To be honest, the pasta didn't live up to my memory of it. It was so bland that I had to smother it in hot peppers, which burned the hell out of my mouth, not to mention my...

Anyway, Larry Sanders was better than I ever remembered.

Jessica Allen is the digital correspondent on CTV's *The Social*.

INTERVIEW

## Why the Good Wife just loves Canada

The *Good Wife* star Julianna Margulies says she's friends with the Trudeaus and the show's recent episode set in Toronto was an homage to Canada.

In an episode that aired on Global and CBS earlier this month, Margulies's lawyer character Alicia Florrick flew from Chicago to Toronto's Pearson International Airport for a case involving a National Security Agency contractor.

A Canadian justice of the peace chided the Americans a few times for their behaviour, saying: "Let's leave the land of guns and gangs behind us, shall we, and not interrupt each other."

"I loved the episode because I just thought it smacked America on the hand by saying, 'Stop already, this is ridiculous,'" Margulies said Thursday in a conference call with reporters.

"One of my favourite lines was the judge saying, 'I'm not speaking as a judge now, I'm speaking as a Canadian citizen, where we don't spy on our citizens and we have superior health care.' I thought that was fabulous.

"And I'm such a big fan of

Justin and Sophie's — and I actually am friends with them — that I was very happy to do that episode."

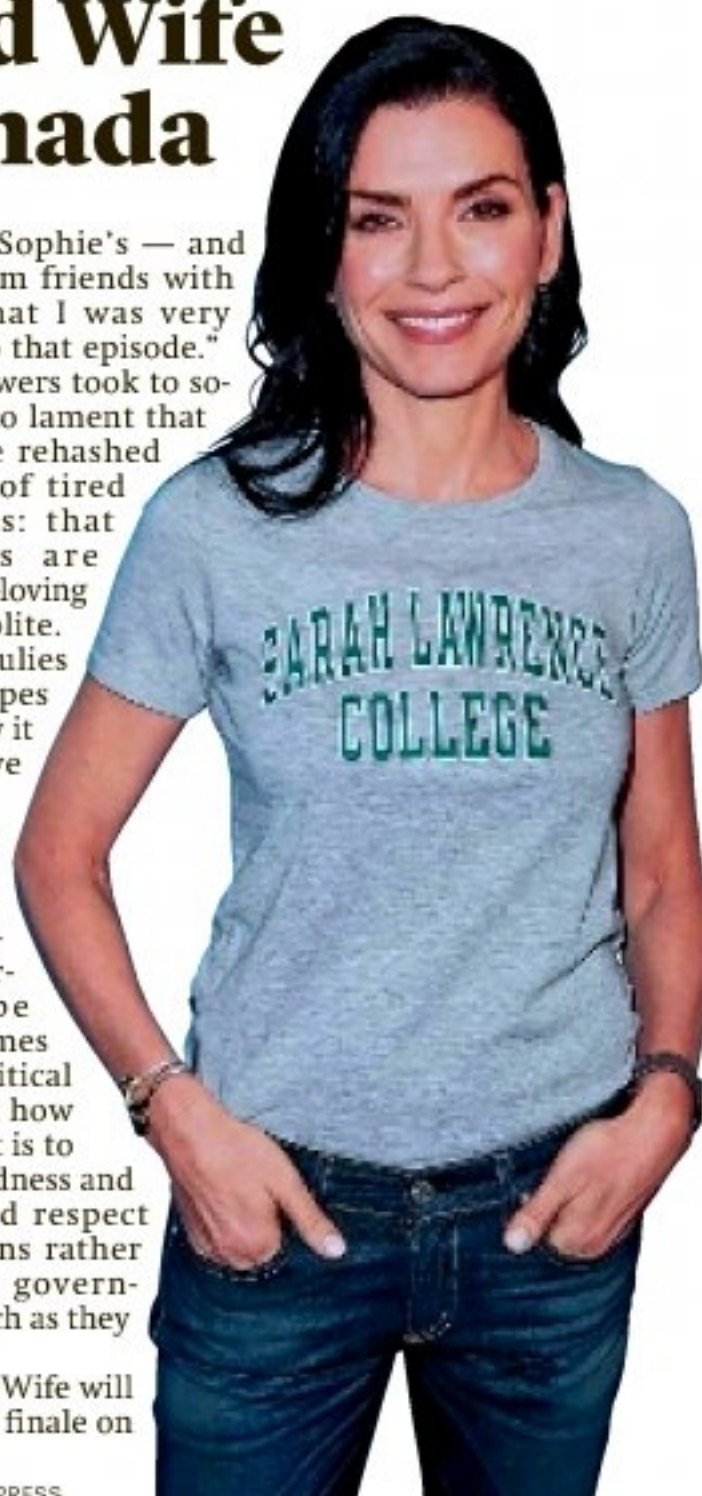
Some viewers took to social media to lament that the episode rehashed a number of tired stereotypes: that Canadians are clean, peace-loving and uber polite.

But Margulies said she hopes "Canada saw it in a positive light."

"Because we were trying to show how ridiculous America can be and is at times in their political system, and how important it is to stop the madness and get real and respect their citizens rather than their government as much as they seem to."

The *Good Wife* will air its series finale on May 8.

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# You had us at cattle drive

FORT WORTH

## Former frontier town comes of age

We've lined Exchange Ave. in the Stockyards National Historic District to see modern-day cowboys at work in the heartland of the city.

Here they come at 11:30 a.m. sharp — five men and a lone woman sitting tall on American quarter horses and dressed all 1880s style in chaps and vests.

But we mostly have eyes for the 16 Texas Longhorns they're "driving."

They're as gorgeous as cattle get, what with dramatic horns and mixed colouring.

"These guys have run a couple of times and it's frightening," whispers trail boss Kristin Jaworski. "We want them to go as slow as possible. Nice and calm."

This is more like a walking of the steers than a Pamplona-style running of the bulls. We're told to stand on the sidewalks, probably so we can make a quick getaway if the castrated male cows suddenly go wild.

Exchange Ave., which has been temporarily blocked to traffic, quickly reverts to normal.

The trick is to come early and chat up the "cowboys" who are playing drovers. That's the name for the diverse group of people — men, women, African Americans, Native Americans, Mexican vaqueros (cowboys) — that drove Texas



In Texas, you go big or go home. The twice-a-day cattle drive down Exchange Avenue is a case in point. Right: Woodshed Smokehouse's Mexican corn. FORT WORTH CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU; WOODSHED SMOKEHOUSE

Longhorns from South Texas to Kansas along the Chisholm Trail during the cattle drive era of the late 1800s.

Fort Worth, you had me at cattle drive. And then there's the Stockyards National Historic District, 15 blocks of Old West meets Wild West meets Truly Texas.

This former frontier town won't be standing in the shadow of Dallas, Austin and San Antonio for much longer.

It's carving its niche as the "City of Cowboys and Culture." To me, it means you can watch a concert at Panther Island Pavilion while floating on inner tubes. The city has an ambitious Trinity River Vision project to create an entire waterfront community.

At the Stockyards Stables, grad student Lacey Jensen saddles up horses for us, just steps from Exchange Ave. We head out through a hotel parking

lot, across a busy street and along the Old Chisholm Trail.

"You can ride your horse down here and eat at a restaurant, which is pretty crazy," Jensen confides.

Be sure to stay at the Stockyards Hotel. Bonnie and Clyde were guests in 1933 and their actual room is booked months in advance. This hotel oozes Old West charm and the rooms open with old-fashioned keys instead of swipe cards. You'll

find earplugs beside your bed.

"Sometimes it gets pretty wild around here and the walls are thin," advises front desk staffer Erik Chipman.

The earplugs are officially called "cowboy silencers — the cure for loud cowboys."

JENNIFER BAIN/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Jennifer Bain was hosted by the Fort Worth Convention and Visitors Bureau, which didn't review or approve this story.

## TO-DO LIST

### Loud music

There's music everywhere, starting at Chief Records in the Stockyards. I caught ticketed shows at Billy Bob's Texas and the Live Oak Music Hall & Lounge.

### Fast cars

The Texas Motor Speedway complex boasts the world's largest high-def video board nicknamed Big Hoss.

### Good eats

You can find excellent beef brisket at Cooper's Old Time Pit Bar-B-Que, where you point to what you want and pay by weight, and ultra old-school Angelo's. I was wowed by chef Tim Love's Woodshed Smokehouse, where "new Q" means lamb brisket, smoked Texas peanuts with chili salt, "today's animal," and brisket-stuffed piquillo peppers with bone broth.



## TRAVEL TIMES SQUARE TONES IT DOWN, GALLERY SHOWS OFF RIP-OFFS AND BIG BEN GOES SILENT

### New law mandates better manners from Times Square characters

Spider-Man, Elmo and the Statue of Liberty will just have to be on their best behaviour.

After fielding complaints for years about aggressive costumed characters pressuring tourists for tips, Mayor Bill de Blasio signed a bill to regulate where and how they operate in Times Square and to curtail any aggressive behaviour. The new law allows city officials to restrict the characters' movements



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and keep them from blocking pedestrians in traffic-free parts of the square, which draws 39 million visitors from around the world each year.

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### Gallery of fake paintings opens in Argentina

The paintings in Buenos Aires' newest gallery may look like the work of great artists, but they are actually rip-offs — and the exhibition's organizers want you to know it.

The 40 canvases on display at the exhibition in the Argentine capital were seized in a raid organized by cross-border police agency Interpol on a band of forgers. Police got hold of 240 works overall, fake versions

of works by renowned South American artists, ready to be sold complete with fake certification.

"Some of the copies are clumsily executed, but others are very good," said the show's curator Mario Naranjo, an official from the Argentine finance ministry.

It runs until mid-May at the finance ministry in Buenos Aires, after which the works will be returned to the court handling the case against the forgers and eventually destroyed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Big Ben to cease chiming for months during repairs

Big Ben will stop ringing for months while the iconic London clock tower next to the Houses of Parliament undergoes "desperately" needed repairs next year, officials said.

The work will repair the clock faces and mechanism, cracks in the tower's masonry and corrosion in the roof, as well as restoring the edging around the clock faces to their original 19th-century colour. AFP



ISTOCK



# The wheel of fortune

## NHL Chances are top pick goes to Canadian club

The two Canadian teams never to pick first overall will have their own special lucky charms for the upcoming NHL draft lottery.

"We're sending hopefully what will be a lucky Irishman," Calgary Flames general manager Brad Treliving said of team president Brian Burke. "We're just banking on him."

"Our lucky charm is Trevor," Vancouver Canucks GM Jim Benning said of team president and former captain Trevor Linden. "We're due for some good luck."

Canadian teams have a 68.5 per cent chance of landing the top pick at Saturday's lottery, led by the Toronto Maple Leafs at 20 per cent and Edmonton Oilers at 13.5 per cent.

Beyond the Oilers, who have secured the first overall pick four times in the past six years, Canadian NHL teams have rarely picked first historically.

The Flames and Canucks have never done so.

Calgary's highest pick was fourth overall in 2014 (Sam Bennett) while Vancouver has picked as high as second, including in 1988 with the selection of Linden. Two other teams, the Maple

Leafs and Winnipeg Jets (as the Jets and not the Atlanta Thrashers), have picked first only once in their respective histories, but neither in more than 30 years.

Montreal and Ottawa have owned the top selection multiple times, but not since 1980 for the Canadiens and 1996 for the Senators.

The two GMs of the clubs never to pick first are approaching the lottery well aware that the odds are stacked firmly against them. Vancouver has only an 11.5 per cent chance of landing the top spot, Calgary a touch below that at 8.5 per cent.

**"This is just another chance to add one more piece to the puzzle."**

Canucks GM Jim Benning

"That translates into a 91 per cent chance you're not going to be there," Treliving said in an interview. "And so I've tried to look at things in the realm of percentages and odds of things taking place. You've got to be prepared for the more likely scenario of not being there."

Benning concurred, noting the possibility of the Canucks falling as low as the sixth overall

pick and the preparation that comes with potentially picking lower.

The NHL will use the lottery system to draw the first three picks for the first time.

The Canucks GM has seen each of the top three projected prospects, Auston Matthews as well as Finnish wingers Patrick Laune and Jesse Puljujarvi, eight to 10 times in person and has a good handle on what each might bring.

"I know those guys very well," he said, describing each as an immediate NHL contributor.

Matthews, an American centre who played this past season in Switzerland, is generally thought to be a foregone conclusion at No. 1.

"Would it surprise me if Auston went first? No, it wouldn't," Treliving said with a touch of sarcasm. "He's a wonderful player. He's a talent. (But) he's not the only talented player in this draft, there's others. So we'll see how it all plays out."

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Maple Leafs 20%  
Oilers 13.5%  
Canucks 11.5%  
Blue Jackets 9.5%  
Flames 8.5%  
Jets 7.5%  
Coyotes 6.5%  
Sabres 6%  
Canadiens 5%  
Avalanche 3.5%  
Devils 3%  
Senators 2.5%  
Hurricanes 2%  
Bruins 1%

A glimpse at who has the best chances of landing the No. 1 draft pick on Saturday (and presumably get the right to select Auston Matthews)

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# Back to the business of playing

CFL

## Als' signing Carter excited to help a team get wins again

Duron Carter is back in the CFL for a simple reason: To play football.

The son of Pro Football Hall of Famer Cris Carter spent last season on the practice roster of the NFL's Indianapolis Colts. Carter says while he enjoyed his time in Indianapolis — and the challenge of facing Pro Bowl cornerback Vontae Davis daily — he rejoined the Montreal Alouettes to be more than a practice player.

"I loved Indy, they gave me a great opportunity and I learned a lot," said Carter, recently to participate in a CFL promotional photo shoot. "They just had a different plan for me than I wanted."

"There was a lot of politics and everything that I didn't realize existed. I just wanted to play football and Montreal allows me to do that."

The six-foot-five, 220-pound Carter began his pro career in



Duron Carter signed with the Indianapolis Colts in 2015 but was only used as a practice player.

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Montreal in 2013, amassing 124 catches for 1,939 yards and 12 TDs over two seasons. He had 75 receptions for 1,030 yards and seven TDs his final season before signing a three-year, \$1.575-million US deal with Indianapolis, although

just \$25,000 was guaranteed and there was no signing bonus.

Carter finished the pre-season with nine catches for 126 yards but landed on the practice roster. He became a free agent in January when

Indianapolis didn't offer him a future contract.

"In practice, I was taking a lot of the earlier reps, the first-team reps, and then when we got to pre-season it seemed like I was being sort of held back," Carter said. "The Colts

didn't have anything against me or anything, they just felt I was a future plan."

"It wasn't my time, I guess."

This will be Carter's time to shine in Montreal. He signed a one-year deal that reportedly makes him the CFL's highest-paid receiver at around \$250,000.

Carter gives veteran quarterback Kevin Glenn another big-play receiver along with veteran S.J. Green (71 catches, 1,036 yards, three TDs) and Kenny Stafford (47 catches, 732 yards, nine TDs with Grey Cup-champion Edmonton). There's also CFL rushing leader Tyrell Sutton (1,059 yards) who had 43 catches for 334 yards.

A more consistent offence would help Montreal return to the playoffs. The Alouettes (6-12) were last in the East Division last year, scoring just 388 points, second-fewest behind Winnipeg (353).

Carter's top goal is helping Montreal win. But he'd also like to accumulate more receiving yards than Edmonton's Adarius Bowman, who had a CFL-high 1,456 in 2014 before finishing second to Calgary's Eric Rogers (1,448) last year with 1,304. THE CANADIAN PRESS

## IN VANCOUVER

### Outstanding Elimimian ready to go, says Buono

The B.C. Lions say linebacker Solomon Elimimian has fully recovered from the Achilles tendon injury that ended his 2015 season.

The CFL's most outstanding player two years ago, Elimimian ruptured the ligament in a game against the Hamilton Tiger-Cats in August.

Lions head coach and general manager Wally Buono met the media after the CFL club's off-season workout on Thursday and said Elimimian will be a full participant when training camp opens next month.

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Solomon Elimimian

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MLB

## Cubs get another gem out of ace Arrieta

Jake Arrieta's bid for a second straight no-hitter ended after five pitches and the Cubs ace went on to win his 16th straight decision, leading Chicago over the Milwaukee Brewers 7-2 Thursday.

Arrieta (5-0) allowed one run, three hits and four walks in five innings — the first run he allowed at Wrigley Field since July 25. Alex Presley's fifth-inning RBI double ended Arrieta's home

scoreless streak at 52-2/3 innings, four outs shy of Ray Herbert's major league record set with the Chicago White Sox in 1962-63.

Arrieta's streak of consecutive winning decisions is the

longest since Jose Contreras of the White Sox won 17 in a row from August 2005 to July 2006, according to STATS. Chicago has won in Arrieta's last 18 starts, a team record. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL

## Tough guy Orr calls end to career

Former NHL tough guy Colton Orr has retired after a 13-year professional career.

Orr played 477 career NHL games with the Boston Bruins, the New York Rangers and Toronto, piling up 1,186 penalty minutes.

The six-foot-three, 225-pound Winnipeg native only managed 12 goals and 12 assists in his NHL career, but his fighting ability won him an NHL job.

Later in his career he had trouble sticking with an NHL club as the enforcer role fell out



Colton Orr GETTY IMAGES

of favour.

He failed to make the Leafs roster in 2014-15 and cleared waivers, appearing only in Toronto's final regular-season game. That would mark his last NHL appearance. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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## IN BRIEF

### Reds concede in injury time

Liverpool conceded in injury time in losing to Villarreal 1-0 in the first leg of the Europa League semifinals on Thursday.

The match looked set for a draw until the second minute of added time, when Adrian Lopez scored for the host after a quick counterattack.

In Ukraine, striker Kevin Gameiro converted an 82nd-minute penalty for two-time defending champs Sevilla to draw at Shakhtar Donetsk 2-2. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

### Raiders want Vegas move

Raiders owner Mark Davis says he wants to move the team to Las Vegas and is willing to spend a half billion dollars as part of a deal for a new stadium in the city.

Davis upped the ante in a bid to move the team to the gambling city, appearing Thursday alongside soccer great David Beckham and billionaire casino owner Sheldon Adelson before a committee studying the idea of a \$1.4-billion stadium.

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# RECIPE Muffaletta Sandwich



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**Ceri Marsh & Laura Keogh**  
For Metro Canada

Why make a sandwich when you can create an overstuffed version that packs a secret flavor punch—olives.

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## Ingredients

- 1 loaf of bread
- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 2 Tbsp black olive tapenade
- 1 cup roasted red peppers, sliced into strips
- 2 cups mozzarella, sliced
- 2 handfuls of fresh basil
- 8 to 10 pieces of thinly sliced ham or prosciutto
- 1 or 2 tomatoes, thinly sliced
- 1/2 cup green olives, sliced

## Directions

1. Use a serrated knife to cut off the top third of the loaf of bread. Tear away the interior

bread leaving about one inch, including the crust. Brush the inside of the top and bottom pieces with olive oil. Spread the tapenade on the underside of the top and set aside.

2. Begin layering. You can't go wrong. First lay down the red peppers and get them into every corner. Next, lay down the mozzarella and cover with basil leaves. Ham could come next, then olives and tomatoes. If your bread is deep enough, repeat. When you're done, place the top on and gently press down.

4. Wrap the whole thing in parchment or cling film. Place it on a plate with something heavy on top. Put it in the fridge over night.

5. When you're ready to serve, unwrap your sandwich and cut into the loaf with a serrated knife.

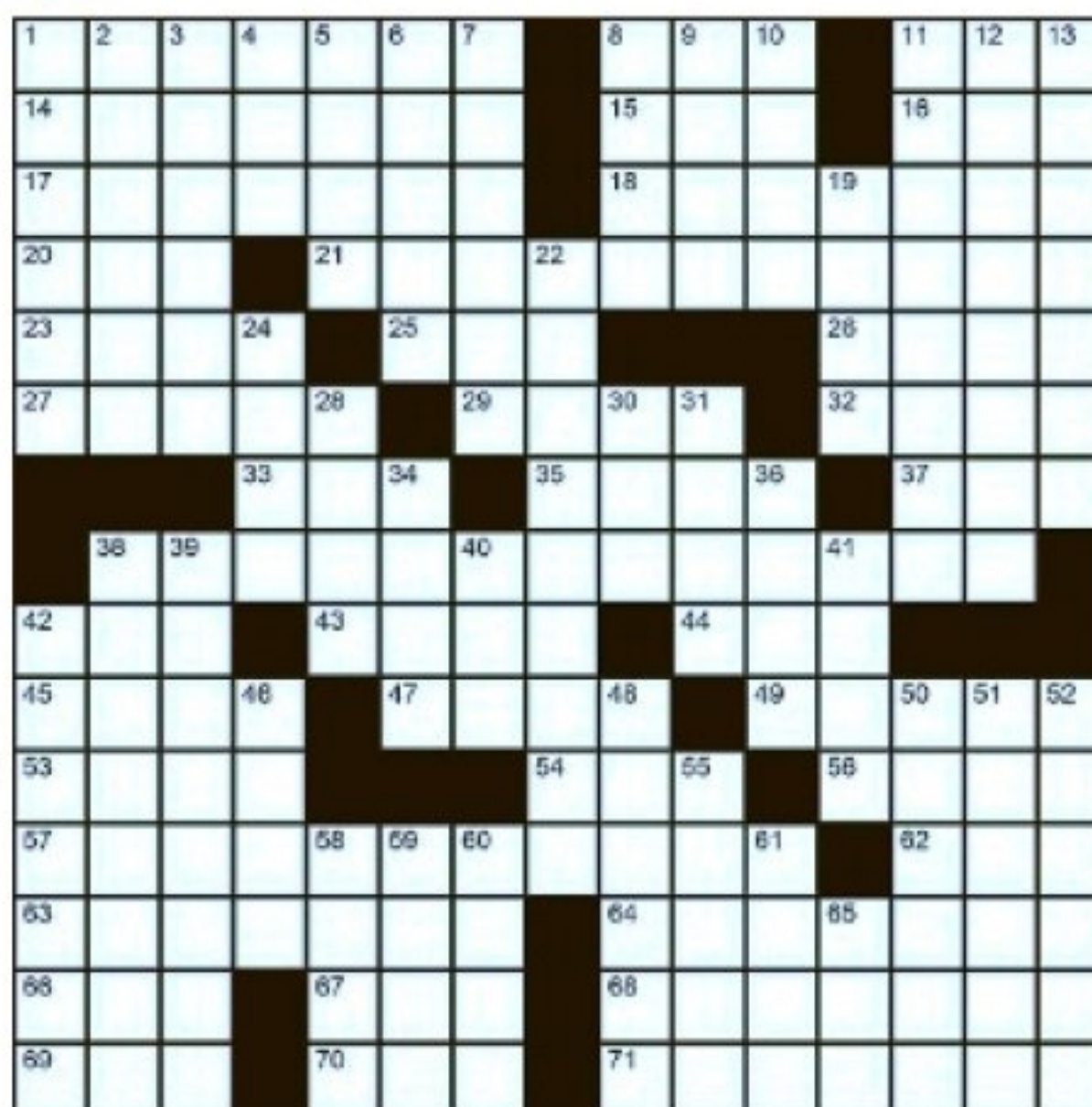
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11. Bob & Doug utterances
14. What the key signature of the F Major scale consists of: 2 wds.
15. Bus, e.g.
16. Beaufort
17. Saskatchewan's provincial fish
18. A credit is due to you if you do this
20. MLB's Cardinals, on scoreboards
21. Western accessories: 2 wds.
23. Even
25. Fire: French
26. Cinder-like
27. When to stop when driving: 2 wds.
29. Dullsville
32. Muck
33. "Phooey!"
35. Aggravate
37. Froms opposites
38. "The Littlest Hobo" theme song: 2 wds.
42. Saloon supply
43. Drive- (Type of restaurant)
44. Suit neckwear
45. "Behold!"
47. Suspire
49. Recognizes
53. Synonyms book, for short
54. Bricks carrier
56. Almond tone
57. April 29th, 2011:



- Abbey where Prince William married Kate  
62. Pourboire  
63. Pointed-to spot where a mouse might be hiding: 2 wds.  
64. Retro recording record  
66. Sun. delivery

67. Puny parasite  
68. Become frozen up: 2 wds.  
69. 'Trick' suffix  
70. Initials-sharers of #3-Down's portrayer  
71. Roofing beams

## DOWN

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4. Gr. on ESPN
5. Util. bill
6. By (Via)

7. Tomatoes  
8. Cooking oil, to Rachael Ray  
9. Bunch  
10. 1958 novelty hit "The Purple People Eater" by Wooley  
11. Canadian hockey brothers

- Phil or Tony  
12. England's famous international airport  
13. Accepts the proposal: 2 wds.  
19. Rove  
22. Jackie (England-born Canadian actress who starred on "Road to Avonlea")  
24. Resist  
28. Financial obligation  
30. Archery skill  
31. Ink mark on clothing  
34. Sly laughs  
36. Mr. Estrada of "CHiPs"  
38. James A. (Pulitzer-winning author in 1948 for Tales of the South Pacific)  
39. Family history field  
40. Uni + Bi =  
41. Ms. Russo  
42. Smarten up: 2 wds.  
46. Bible book, e.g.  
48. Bunk: 2 wds.  
50. Vocalist's interval  
51. Margaret Atwood's profession  
52. Apt. building managers  
55. Vintage record label for Bing Crosby  
58. Heal  
59. 'Eye' flower  
60. Meshworks  
61. Coral  
65. Sum, shortly

# IT'S ALL IN THE STARS Your daily horoscope by Francis Drake

**Aries** March 21 - April 20  
In the next three weeks, you will be able to attract money. You might find a better-paying job, or you might see a way to make money on the side.

**Taurus** April 21 - May 21  
Buy wardrobe items in the next three weeks, because this is the perfect time to do so. You will enjoy doing this, because you like what you see in the mirror.

**Gemini** May 22 - June 21  
Secret love affairs and flirtations will occur for some in the next few weeks. Others will seek out opportunities to enjoy solitude in beautiful surroundings.

**Cancer** June 22 - July 23  
A friend might become a lover in the next few weeks. Basically, friendships, especially with creative, artistic people, will be warmer.

**Leo** July 24 - Aug. 23  
A romance or a flirtation with your boss is likely in the coming month. Meanwhile, someone will ask you for your creative input in the next few weeks.

**Virgo** Aug. 24 - Sept. 23  
Travel for pleasure will please you in the next three weeks. If you can't travel, enjoy learning something new that expands your horizons.

**Libra** Sept. 24 - Oct. 23  
It will be easier for you to get a mortgage or a loan in the next three weeks. This is also a good time to negotiate financial matters with others.

**Scorpio** Oct. 24 - Nov. 22  
Fair Venus moves opposite your sign today to stay for the next three weeks improving all your relations with close friends and partners. Nice benefit.

**Sagittarius** Nov. 23 - Dec. 21  
Relations with co-workers will improve in the next few weeks. Some of you will get a raise, and most certainly praise for your efforts on the job.

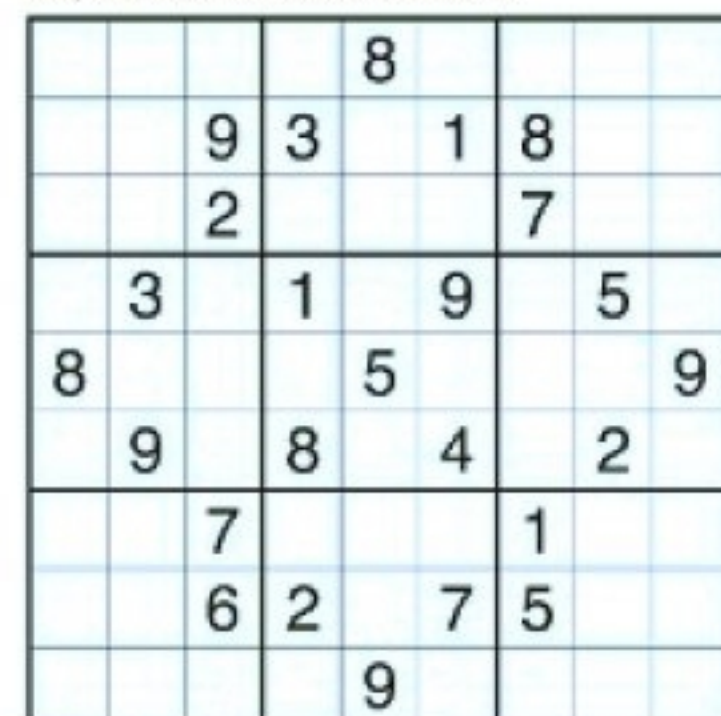
**Capricorn** Dec. 22 - Jan. 20  
If you can slip away on a vacation in the next few weeks, you will love it! Romance, love affairs, playful excursions and the arts will delight you.

**Aquarius** Jan. 21 - Feb. 19  
Go ahead with redecorating ideas for your home in the next few weeks, because this will please you. This is also a good time to be open to real-estate opportunities.

**Pisces** Feb. 20 - March 20  
You can make money from your words in the next three weeks. This is an excellent window of time for those in sales, marketing, teaching, acting and writing. Ka-ching

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